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Letter dated 27 September 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter addressed by the President of Mexico, Vicente Fox Quesada, to the Heads of State and of Government of the States Members of the United Nations, on behalf of the Group of Friends for the Reform of the United Nations, consisting of Algeria, Australia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Germany, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Singapore, Spain and Sweden (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly under agenda items 46 and 120.

(*Signed*) Enrique **Berruga Filloy**
Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations

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Annex to the letter dated 27 September 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

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I am writing to you on behalf of the Heads of State and Government of the 14 countries, which, together with Mexico, have been working for the last year and a half as the Group of Friends for the reform of the United Nations. The Governments of Algeria, Australia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Germany, Japan, Kenya, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, Spain, Sweden and Mexico, as firm believers of multilateralism, have been advocating, through concrete and bold proposals, the reform of the United Nations.

The 15 of us see the sixtieth anniversary of the United Nations as a unique opportunity to transform our Organization. We believe that today's global challenges and threats need to be tackled by a better shaped, more efficient and stronger United Nations. Our shared responsibility towards development, the defence and promotion of human rights and the international peace and security agenda demand a common recognition of the need for courageous, ambitious and forward-looking commitments.

Those commitments were agreed upon at the conclusion of the High-Level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly. We will soon begin the crucial phase of implementing the outcome document of the 2005 World Summit. If we fail to turn our words into actions, multilateralism will not be able to produce the solutions that our societies demand all over the world. The United Nations, in particular, will be discredited and support for it may be undermined. the 15 of us, as the Group of Friends, worked intensively to obtain the opposite result: a healthier and more modern Organization.

Today, there is a real concern and a more forceful drive towards reform. Let us seize the overriding importance that we, Heads of State and Government, as well as the international community, are lending to this issue.

On behalf of the Group of Friends of the reform of the United Nations, I respectfully urge you to continue working in order to implement the commitments and agreements reached during the High Level Plenary Meeting. Rest assured that the Group of Friends will continue taking the necessary actions aimed at attaining our common goal of bringing about a comprehensive and sound United Nations reform.

(*Signed*) Vicente **Fox Quesada**
President of Mexico